GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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Cereal Based Cropping System
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to diversify cereal-based cropping system for improving the nutritional quality of cereals;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): There is no separate proposal to diversify cereal based cropping system in the country. However, in order to encourage diversified production of various crops, Government of India is already implementing crop development programme of National Food Security Mission (NFSM), which comprised of 5 components i.e. NFSM-Rice, Wheat, Pulses, Coarse Cereals and Commercial Crops, by adopting regionally differentiated cropping system approach. NFSM provides support for promotion of new varieties of these crops including nutritionally rich varieties of cereals.

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